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Slant Entry Well System and Method

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Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form, and previously cited in U.S. Application Serial No. 10/004,316, filed October 30, 2001 by Applicant and entitled "Slant Entry Well System and Method," be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified continuation patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of these references are not being furnished. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), no representation is made that these references qualify as prior art or that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no fee is believed due. If, however, Applicant has overlooked the need for a fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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Ο.	2,335,085	11/23/1943	Roberts	251	197	03/18/1947
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R.	2,679,903	06/01/1954	McGowen, Jr. et al.	166	1	11/23/1949
S.	2,726,063	12/06/1955	Ragland et al.	255	1.8	05/10/1952
T.	2,726,847	03/31/1952	McCune et al.	255	1.6	03/31/1952
U.	2,783,018	02/26/1957	Lytle	251	25	02/11/1955
V.	2,847,189	08/12/1958	Shook	255	76	01/08/1953
W.	2,911,008	11/03/1959	Du Bois	137	625.31	04/09/1956
X.	2,980,142	04/18/1961	Turak	137	637.3	09/08/1958
Υ.	3,347,595	10/17/1967	Dahms et al.	299	4	05/03/1965
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I.	3,800,830	04/02/1974	Etter	137	625.41	01/11/1973	
J.	3,809,519	05/07/1974	Garner	425	245	10/19/1972	
K.	3,825,081	07/23/1974	McMahon	175	73	03/08/1973	
L.	3,828,867	08/13/1974	Elwood	175	45	05/15/1972	
M.	3,874,413	04/01/1975	Valdez	137	625.47	04/01/1975	
N.	3,887,008	06/03/1975	Canfield	166	267	03/21/1974	
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P.	3,934,649	01/27/1976	Pasini, III et al.	166	254	07/25/1974	
Q.	3,957,082	05/18/1976	Fuson et al.	137	625.41	09/26/1974	
R.	3,961,824	06/08/1976	Van Eek et al.	299	17	10/21/1974	
S.	4,011,890	03/15/1977	Andersson	137	625.4	11/04/1975	
T.	4,022,279	05/10/1977	Driver	166	271	12/23/1974	
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V.	4,037,658	07/26/1977	Anderson	166	272	10/30/1975	
W.	4,073,351	02/14/1978	Baum	175	14	06/10/1976	
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F.	4,278,137	07/14/1981	Van Eek, deceased	175	267	06/18/1979	
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I.	4,299,295	11/10/1981	Gossard	175	45	02/08/1980	
J.	4,303,127	12/01/1981	Freel et al.	166	266	02/11/1980	
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L.	4,312,377	01/26/1982	Knecht	137		08/29/1979	
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Q.	4,386,665	06/07/1983	Dellinger	175	61	10/27/1981	
R.	4,390,067	06/28/1983	Willman	166	245	04/06/1981	
S.	4,396,076	08/02/1983	Inoue	175	265	04/27/1981	
T.	4,397,360	08/09/1983	Schmidt	175	61	07/06/1981	
U.	4,401,171	08/30/1983	Fuchs	175	267	12/10/1981	
V.	4,407,376	10/04/1983	Inoue	175	267	06/26/1981	
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AA.	4,527,639	07/09/1985	Dickinson, III et al.	175	61	03/02/1983	
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D.	4,573,541	03/04/1986	Josse et al.	175	78	08/09/1984	
E.	4,599,172	07/08/1986	Gardes	210	314	12/24/1984	
F.	4,600,061	07/15/1986	Richards	175	62	06/08/1984	
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I.	4,618,009	10/21/1986	Carter et al.	175	267	08/08/1984	
J.	4,638,949	01/27/1987	Mancel	239	307	04/26/1984	
K.	4,646,836	03/03/1987	Goodhart	166	303	12/20/1984	
L.	4,674,579	06/23/1987	Geller et al.	175	45	03/07/1985	
М.	4,702,314	10/27/1987	Huang et al.	166	245	03/03/1986	
N.	4,705,431	11/10/1987	Gadelle et al. 405 267		267	12/20/1984	
Ο.	4,715,440	12/29/1987	Boxell et al.	166	100	07/14/1986	
P.	4,754,819	07/05/1988	Dellinger	175	61	03/11/1987	
Q.	4,756,367	07/12/1988	Puri et al.	166	263	04/28/1987	
R.	4,763,734	08/16/1988	Dickinson et al.	175	61	12/23/1985	
S.	4,773,488	09/27/1988	Bell et al.	175	61	08/08/1984	
T.	4,830,105	05/16/1989	Petermann	. 166	241	02/08/1988	
U.	4,836,611	06/06/1989	El-Saie	299	7	05/09/1988	
V.	4,842,081	06/27/1989	Parant	175	23	05/18/1988	
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Y.	4,883,122	11/28/1989	Puri et al.	166	248	08/22/1990	
Z.	4,978,172	12/18/1990	Schwoebel et al.	299	12	10/26/1989	
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C.	5,074,360	12/24/1991	Guinn	166	281	07/10/1990
D.	5,074,365	12/24/1991	Kuckes	175	40	09/14/1990
E.	5,074,366	12/24/1991	Karlsson et al.	175	76	12/24/1991
F.	5,082,054	01/21/1992	Kiamanesh	166	248	08/22/1990
G.	5,111,893	05/12/1992	Kvello-Aune	175	258	12/24/1990
H.	5,135,058	08/04/1992	Millgard et al.	175	71	04/26/1990
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J.	5,165,491	11/24/1992	Wilson	175	62	04/29/1991
K.	5,168,942	12/08/1992	Wydrinski	Wydrinski 175		10/21/1991
L.	5,174,374	12/29/1992	Hailey	166	55.8	10/17/1991
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Ο.	5,197,553	03/30/1993	Leturno	175	57	08/14/1991
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Q.	5,199,496	04/06/1993	Redus et al.	166	366	10/18/1991
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T.	5,240,350	08/31/1993	Yamaguchi et al.	405	143	11/07/1991
U.	5,242,017	09/07/1993	Hailey	166	55.8	12/27/1991
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D.	5,411,082	05/02/1995	Ke	nnedy		166	181	01/26/1994	
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G.	5,411,105	05/02/1995	Gra	ny		175	69	06/14/1994	
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L.	5,454,419	10/03/1995	Vlo	Vloedman		166	277	09/19/1994	
M.	5,458,209	10/17/1995	Ha	Hayes et al.		175	61	06/11/1993	
N.	5,462,116	10/31/1995	Carroll			166	249	10/26/1994	
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R.	5,485,089	01/16/1996	Ku	ckes		324	346	10/08/1993	
S.	5,494,121	02/27/1996	Na	ckerud		175	263	11/29/1994	
T.	5,499,687	03/19/1996	Lee	2		175	317	11/18/1991	
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Z.	5,669,444	09/23/1997	Rie	ese et al.		166	263	01/31/1996	
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